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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

) Art Unit: 1621

Robert H. Grubbs, et al.

) Examiner: P. Nazario Gonzalez

Serial No.: 09/576,370

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Filed: May 22, 2000

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For: IMIDAZOLIDINE-BASED METAL
CARBENE METATHESIS CATALYSTS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2001, please consider the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 36-40, and amend claim 2 to read as follows:

2. (Amended) The compound as in claim 1 wherein:

M is ruthenium;